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| In re Application of:                                       | ) |                          |
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| Serial No.: 10/541,483                                      | ) | Examiner: Hageman        |
| Filing Date: March 31, 2006                                 | ) | Group Art Unit No.: 3653 |
| Method and Apparatus for Processing<br>Particulate Material | ) | Confirmation No. 8199    |
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### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,  
and more particularly in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the  
following reference(s):

| U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS |            |                  |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------|
| DOCUMENT NO.          | DATE       | NAME             |
| 4,797,550             | 01/10/1989 | Nelson et al.    |
| 6,322,710             | 11/27/2001 | Katsumata et al. |

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS |            |         |
|--------------------------|------------|---------|
| DOCUMENT NO.             | DATE       | COUNTRY |
| RU2182045C2              | 05/10/2002 | Russia  |

| OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS  |
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| Undated English Translation of a portion of the specification of RU2182045C2   |
| Undated English Translation of a portion of the "Reference Book of Ore Concentration, Main Processes", edited by O.S. Bogdanov, Moscow, Nedra Publishers, 1983, page 42  |
| Undated English translation of Russian Office Action issued in connection with the Russian application corresponding to the subject U.S. application relating to Application No. 2005125408 filed 12/24/2003 (pp. 1-9) |

Applicant submits Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2). Pursuant to the undersigned attorney's obligation and duties under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.98(a)(3) and (c), either English language abstracts, partial translations, or full translations are included for patent documents that are not in English for the express purpose of providing a concise explanation of the references to the Patent and Trademark Office with the opportunity to evaluate the same. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 CFR §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other

information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a).

Respectfully submitted,

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